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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

## PRELIMINARY SUBMISSION

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This is a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.114 which is filed in response to the Decision on Appeal dated April 26, 2006. It is respectfully requested that the following pre-liminary remarks and the attached preliminary amendments<sup>1</sup>) be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application:

## PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Claims 12 to 27 as set forth in Appendix I of this paper are now pending in this case. Claims 1 to 10 which were pending on appeal have been canceled in favor of new Claims 12 to 27 as indicated in the listing of the claims.

Accordingly, applicants have rewritten Claim 1 as new Claim 12, incorporating the definition of the ether compounds (I) which is set forth on page 7, indicated lines 22, to 35, of the application, the

<sup>1)</sup> Cf. the Claim Amendments set forth in Appendix I on pages 5 to 7 of this paper.